

**MINUTES OF THE
NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
February 12, 2003
Room 305, State Capitol**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Thomas Hatch, Co-Chair
 Rep. David Ure, Co-Chair

Sen. Parley Hellewell
Rep. Carl W. Duckworth
Rep. Ben C. Ferry
Rep. James R. Gowans
Rep. Michael Noel
Rep. Brent D. Parker
Rep. Michael R. Styler

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sen. Ron Allen
 Rep. Craig W. Buttars
 Rep. Darin G. Peterson

STAFF PRESENT: Steven Allred, Fiscal Analyst
 Sharron Corelli, Committee Secretary

VISITORS: Attached to and made a part of these minutes

Sen Hatch called the meeting to order at 2:20 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Gowans moved to approve the minutes of February 7, 2003 and February 10, 2003.
 The motion passed with Rep. Duckworth and Rep. Ure absent for the vote.

Mr. Steven Allred, Fiscal Analyst, presented the "FY 2004 Reallocations and FY 2003 Supplemental Budget Recommendations" document.

MOTION: Rep. Parker moved to approve the reallocations as shown on page 3 of the document.
 The motion passed with Rep. Duckworth and Rep. Ure absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Gowans moved to approve the recommendation of the subcommittee to accept the
FY 2004 reallocations as shown on page 4 of the document. The motion passed with
Rep. Duckworth and Rep. Ure absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve the plan for additional 2% cuts as shown on page 5 of the
document. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve the FY 2003 reallocations as shown on page 8 of the
document. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to take no action on item 2.2 of page 8; amend item 2.3 on page 9 from

\$20,000 to 30,000, and approve item 2.4 on page 9 of the document. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve items 2.6 and 2.7 on page 11 of the document. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to request that the Executive Appropriations Committee find \$10,000 of supplemental funds for the rent of the Water Rights leased space in Price (item 2.8 in the document). The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to request that the Executive Appropriations Committee find \$100,000 supplemental funds for insect infestation (item 2.9 in document). The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Parker moved to request that the Executive Appropriations Committee find \$28,600 supplemental funds for rabbit farmers affected by viral hemorrhagic disease (item 2.10 of the document). The motion passed with Rep. Ure voting in opposition.

MOTION: Rep. Gowans moved to approve the use of nonlapsing funds as shown on pages 13-14 of the document. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve agricultural fee increases, with the exception of fees for weights and measures, and brand inspections. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve agricultural fee increases for weights and measures. The motion failed in the House with Rep. Ferry, Rep. Noel, Rep. Parker and Rep. Styler voting in opposition. The motion passed in the Senate with Sen. Hellewell and Sen. Hatch voting in favor.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve appropriation increases to reflect the fee increases that pass. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ferry moved to amend the fees proposed for weights and measures, by segregating fees for large scales and charging a \$25 fee when tested. The motion passed with Sen. Hatch voting in opposition.

MOTION: Rep. Parker moved to approve the increase in Brand Inspection fees.

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MOTION: Rep. Ferry moved to amend the fees for Brand Inspection by reducing the fee increase by half (a 5 cent increase rather than a 10 cent increase). The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve intent language allowing the new agricultural fees to be deposited as nonlapsing dedicated credits for use by the Dept. of Agriculture and Food. The motion passed unanimously.

- MOTION: Rep. Parker moved to adopt the change to agriculture fees and name change of Certificate of Inspection -\$10.00, Page 84, and Write International CVI - \$5.00, page 79, to Certified Document Fee - \$10.00, and also have this placed under the All Agricultural Divisions. The motion passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to appropriate \$472,000 from the General Fund Restricted -Sovereign Land Management Account for specialized fire crews. The motion passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve the Analyst's recommendations for changes to the Wildlife Resources Operating Budget, with the exception of item #5 (change on intent language on page 7 of tab 14). The motion passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve intent language making the Water Resources Conservation/Education program's appropriation nonlapsing (tab 11, page 13).
- MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to adopt intent language asking DWR not to issue doe permits in rangeland depredation situations. The motion passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to adopt intent language regarding use of wolf donations in case HB305 passes. The motion passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Rep. Gowans moved to attach a letter to the minutes from the Attorney General regarding use of trust funds for fire suppression. The motion passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Rep. Gowans moved to go on record that the subcommittee requests the Executive Appropriations Committee find other ways of funding fire suppression costs instead of trust funds. The motion passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Rep. Parker moved that with the exception of changes made above, the committee accept all the Analyst's recommendations for base budgets, intent language, and fees. The motion passed unanimously.
- MOTION: Rep. Noel moved to adjourn the meeting.

Co-Chair Hatch adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

